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Subject: Re: Ch2

Thanks so much.

Basically, what I'm trying to convey is exactly what you wrote all those weeks ago. You called it when you wrote that the criticism would stem from those forgetting they have the "duty to develop".

Thanks! Have a great Easter.

S Parnell <sr_parnell@gov.state.ak.us> wrote:

> Way to go on Ch 2! Privileged or Personal Material Redacted
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Subject: Re: Op Ed and OCS

Good suggestion. I'm trying to get around to legislative offices also.

I'm glad you visited wtih OCS. Tough jobs they have - I do appreciate them also.

Have a great Easter! God bless you and your family.

S R Parnell <sr_parnell@gov.state.ak.us> wrote:

> Done. Thanks. That was a well done gasline editorial by Jomo Stewart.
>
> FYI, yesterday I stopped into an Anchorage Office of Childrens Services' staff meeting to visit. The office is right behind the Atwood. About 60-80 people filled a small room and I spoke letting them know that we appreciate them doing a difficult job. They asked if I would be willing to take time with them in their offices and I promised I would as well as my staff. It only took about fifteen minutes and seems like a great way to build morale.
>
> You're probably already doing it, but showing up for staff meetings (even in Juneau while you're there) for a 10-15 minute thank you talk and to shake hands is huge to the average employee. I'm going to try to do more.
>
> Have a great day!
>
> Sean

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, April 06, 2007 2:02 PM
To: Anders; Bruce F (DNR)
Subject: RE: Go JOMO!

Sorry for mis-reading your response.

We sure don't want to dampen the enthusiasm and/or support that may be out there for Agia. Sometimes it feels like our world is small in terms of vocalizing support for our project - so when someone, unsolicited, joins the chorus it makes me want to sing with them. Wish some of our legislators would join the chorus too.

Thanks Bruce.

Bruce Anders <bruce_anders@dnr.state.ak.us> wrote:

> I thought your response was heartfelt and great. Never meant to imply it was politically motivated. I just am pleased that people who are brave and wise enough to speak up are rewarded with an attaboy from you. I know that's how you're wired, that's why people like me think so highly of you.
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> **From:** Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
> **Sent:** Friday, April 06, 2007 1:34 PM
> **To:** Bruce F. Anders
> **Subject:** RE: Go JOMO!
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> We just taped this week's piece - I was fine with it. Thank you.
>
> And I am just not wired to NOT compliment good efforts like Jomo's effort this morning. It does not bother me that some people may run with some idea of receiving a compliment and go do something about it.
>
> C'mon Bruce - it was an innocent, random, quick act of kindness to repond positively to Jomo's op-ed. I did not think of political ramifications - and I will not bother thinking of political ramifications when I compliment someone for good efforts.
>
> I do apologize to you if I undermined your efforts to get an op-ed piece penned by others. Jomo's op-ed was unsolicited, from the heart, and powerful. I loved it. I told him so.
>
> Hope you're feeling better.
> Sarah
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> ***Bruce Anders <bruce_anders@dnr.state.ak.us>*** wrote:
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> > As perfect as Jomo's Op Ed was, as fantastic is your response: Word will quickly spread that Jomo received a warm note of deep appreciation from you, and will spur others to seek your favor by stepping out. I have been working key folks hard to pen an op-ed after they emerge from our discussion in deep agreement with our principles, and word of notes like yours to Jomo could push some off high center and get their support in print.

Were you okay with this week's gasline message? Next week I really think it is important to

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Haven't talked to you in a while, hope all's well.
Bruce

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Perfect-o Jomo.

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Good luck with the truck. I sure hope Track cleaned it first.

Keep up the great work. You're a good egg. (Speaking of Easter!)

Ivy Frye <ivy_frye@gov.state.ak.us> wrote:

> Governor Palin,
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> We're on the same page. I prepared this memo last night and left it on your desk. I can't believe I get to work this morning and there's an email from you on the same topic.
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> I think you're right. We don't need to settle. Privilege I think would be great. She would help with many different perspectives of outreach and diversity. Privil too, but I thought I heard Mike mention he had something else in mind for him (?).
>
> My only concern is splitting up the B&C office. I'm still hearing that the major flaw with the last B&C office was that they were spread out across the state with no oversight of each other (the assistant was in JNU, the director in ANC, the deputy in FBX). I want to avoid the B&C office from going in three different directions; we need to be working towards the same goal collectively: keeping the appointments moving, keeping the vacancy list low and the candidate pool high, and outreach.
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> That said, I trust your instincts. I'm up for whatever keeps this office productive, moving forward, and helping—not hindering you. If you think it could work, I look forward to the discussion.
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> See you at 10,
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Sent: Friday, April 06, 2007 10:11 AM

To: jomo_stewart@yahoo.com

Cc: Sarah Palin

Subject: Re: Go JOMO!

Jomo, Great op-ed! Thank you so very much.
Marty Rutherford

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From: Governor Sarah Palin [govpalin@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Friday, April 06, 2007 9:36 AM

To: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Meghan N Stapleton; Sharon W Leighow; Martha K Rutherford; Tom E Irwin; Patrick S Galvin

Cc: Bitney; John W (GOV); Spencer; Kari L (GOV)

Subject: RE: I was not informed about Pt. Thomson and may be asked in tomorrow's press conf.

Odd. This must have been an old email that I sent a couple of weeks ago – but was just received by some of you yesterday? The Pt Thom. Issue is an old issue that I hadn't asked about since Tom addressed it in our last presser together.

Sorry! I know the issue was put to bed two weeks ago. The email system is messed up, evidently... because my email should have been received long ago. Sorry!

From: Joe Balash [mailto:joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2007 9:05 PM
To: Sarah Palin; Michael Tibbles; Meghan Stapleton; sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us; Marty Rutherford; tom_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us; Patrick Galvin
Cc: John Bitney
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Governor,
This is the same story that we dealt with last week. The leases were terminated by the director of the division of oil and gas. That decision has been appealed to the commissioner of dnr. What has been granted is an extension of time to get information and material to the commissioner for him to consider in his decision. Assuming the information is not new, and the commissioner upholds the directors decision, the leaseholders would then be able to appeal to the courts.

This was all covered last week and commissioner Irwin addressed it at the double wwami press conference. I'm not really sure why the empire ran it again...its the exact SMR story.

Joe

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Exxon Mobil receives Point Thomson extension

STEVE QUINN
Associated Press Writer

JUNEAU, Alaska — Exxon Mobil Corp. has an extra month complete its appeal of potential lease termination in the North Slope's Point Thomson oil and gas field, the Department of Natural Resources said Tuesday.

Point Thomson is the North Slope's second largest natural gas field, after Prudhoe Bay, and lawmakers have called it vital to the success of a prospective gas pipeline.

The field is estimated to hold about nine trillion cubic feet of gas reserves, more than a quarter of the known gas in all North Slope fields.

"You can't do the pipeline without Point Thomson," said Rep. Ralph Samuels, R-Anchorage, who serves on the House Oil and Gas Committee. "It has to be resolved either through the court system or make a deal.

"So if the extension is a sign that they are still trying to work something out and get the development done, then that's a good sign. I'm assuming it is or they probably wouldn't have done it."

Because of pending litigation Department of Natural Resources Commissioner Tom Irwin said he could not comment. Exxon Mobil officials could not immediately be reached for comment.

The dispute is about 18 months old. Alaska officials ruled in 2005 that Exxon Mobil was in default for delaying Point Thomson development by submitting a plan without any sure date for production to begin.

The state threatened to revoke the leases but stayed that decision while negotiating a contract with Exxon and two other oil companies for a $25 billion natural gas pipeline that would take gas from the North Slope to Midwestern markets.

The negotiated contract fell through last year, leaving Exxon Mobil with an October deadline to update its development plan.

The plan the company submitted was rejected in November and the state — under then Gov. Frank Murkowski — revoked the leases. In that plan, Exxon Mobil proposed paying the state $20 million and giving up 20,000 acres to settle its unmet obligations to develop the gas field. The plan included a promise to drill one well in 2009 to better map the extent of the field.

In December, the resources department under new Gov. Sarah Palin reviewed the case and upheld the decision from Murkowski's administration the prior month.

This set off numerous court filings from the oil and gas companies and the state, including the companies requesting a Superior Court to overturn the state's decision.

The extension announced Tuesday comes as lawmakers are reviewing Palin's Alaska Gasline Inducement Act, which her administration hopes will provide the vehicle to ship trillions of cubic feet of natural gas to market.

Exxon Mobil, an Irving, Texas, company is among nearly a dozen companies interested in the project. The company is Point Thomson's field operator for 45 gas and oil leases shared largely by BP PLC, ConocoPhillips and Chevron Corp.

Exxon Mobil now has until April 26 to complete paperwork for the appeal and provide the state its arguments for retaining the leases.

Once that has been submitted, Irwin can take as long as he needs to review the company's materials, said agency spokesman Dan Saddler.

Granting the extension could illustrate the state's effort to resolve the issues outside the courts, said Sen. Gene Therriault, R-North Pole, who serves on the Senate Judiciary Committee.

"It doesn't help your case if you say no to Exxon for the extension, then they say in court, 'Your honor, we made a reasonable request and we were denied,'" Therriault said.

Still, Therriault said he prefers a quick resolution.

"I'm hopeful ultimately the state can get to a negotiated settlement," he said. "Absent that, we should be taking any steps allowed under the terms of the lease to put the leases into production or force the return of the leases so someone else can."

On the Net:

http://www.gov.state.ak.us/agia/

http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/

http://www.exxonmobil.com/

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thanks much Christopher!

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Per the Governor's request, here is the latest status on the jet. First, the easy piece of info - the jet has been moved to Anchorage to be more available to a broker and potential buyers.

Now to more substantive matters.

This is for information only

As we've discussed, here's the current status on the jet.

- There were 4 bidders for the brokerage contract and 2 were disqualified. (This fact is public)
- We have issued a notice of intent to award a brokerage contract to Turbo North and have had one meeting with Robert Heckmann, the owner.

*** All following information is confidential because we have not yet

awarded a brokerage contract. ***

- He has provided a proposal on pricing - I have a few questions. Expect that we'll meet Monday or Tuesday and finalize the contract.
- Turbo North will then be the primary point of contact for all offerers.

- One of those disqualified, Grubstake Auction, has protested their disqualification.
    - They offered a single auction, not brokerage services
    - I have discussed the protest with Dept of Law and DOA and am drafting a response denying the protest.
    - Grubstake has said they will sue if we deny their protest.

I will give a status update to Russ Kelly by the end of next week or when we make an award, whichever comes first.